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Professor Jean-Louis Briaud gives the keynote lecture at the 2010 Korean Geotechnical Society National Conference in Seoul, Korea.



Professor Briaud is President of ISSMGE, the International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering, and The Buchanan Chair Professor at Texas A&M University. He recently went to Seoul, Korea (23-25 July, 2010) to deliver the keynote lecture on Bridge Scour at the 2010 Korean Geotechnical Society (KGS) National Conference. The presentation is available by contacting him at briaud@tamu.edu and more material is available from his web site under "Research". He also visited with his former students SangSeom Jeong, MoonKyung Chung, Kiseok Kwak, and NakKyung Kim who play leading roles in Universities and Research Institutes in Korea. He also met with the leadership of KGS and was invited to attend their Board meeting by President HongTaek Kim. At the meeting he was greeted by a pleasant surprise when the KGS Board announced that they would make a nice contribution to the ISSMGE Foundation started by Professor Briaud 6 months ago and dedicated to help geotechnical engineers throughout the world. Discussion with engineers indicated that Korea does not seem to be feeling the economic crisis which affects so many other countries currently. The new airport in Incheon was very impressive and quite a geotechnical challenge as it had to be built by first reclaiming a large area from the sea and building the airport on this reclaimed land.